

11. (Amended) The device of claim 1 wherein the one or more pieces of filter are made from a polymeric material selected from the group consisting of nitrocellulose, cellulose acetate, polysulphones, polyethersulphones, polyarylsulphones, polyvinylidene fluoride, polyolefins, polyamides, PTFE resin, thermoplastic fluorinated polymers and polycarbonates.

Amend claim 12 as follows:

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12. (Amended) The device of claim 1 wherein the device is made of a material selected from the group consisting of styrene acrylonitriles, polyolefins, polycarbonates, styrene homopolymers and copolymers, PTFE resins, blends of polyolefins with small amounts of PTFE resins, ABS, acrylic resins, methacrylic resins [and] copolymers of acrylic resins, copolymers of methacrylic resins, acrylonitrile-methyl acrylate copolymers grafted to nitrile rubber resins, nylons, epoxies, polyurethanes and reinforced resins.

Please add new claims 24- 26 as follows:

24. The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one piece of filter are multiple pieces with the skive on top of the upper surface of the uppermost filter.

25. The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one piece of filter are multiple pieces sequentially arranged in the well and sealed to the well by a skive formed between each layer of filter.

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26. A filtration device comprising 96 wells, each well having an open top and a closed bottom having one or more holes which allow liquid to pass through, at least one piece of filter positioned within each well and against the bottom of each well and a mechanical interlock against a top of the filter, said well being formed of a plastic and said interlock being one or more skives formed continuously from at least a portion of an inner wall of the well and wherein the interlock remains attached to and as a portion of the inner wall.

REMARKS

The specification has been objected to as failing to provide antecedent basis for claimed subject matter. Applicants disagree.